Central/State Government Agencies, Agricultural Universities, etc. would be taken after the final recommendations of the PAG have been received.

Supplying khadi uniforms

†1925. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have decided to supply office uniforms in khadi polyester to office assistants working in the Ministry and its attached and subordinate offices from this year with a view to help the khadi units, as reported in the Hindustan Times of April 4, 1988; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Government is considering supply of polyvastra summer uniform (manufactured by KVIC) to common categories of Group 'C' & 'D' employees e.g. Peons, Daftaries, Jamadars, Staff Car Drivers, Despatch Riders etc. replacing the existing pattern consisting of khadi bush-shirt and terricot pant.

Women IAS officers

1926. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women IAS officers who are presently serving as Joint Secretaries and above;

(b) whether Government propose to give priority to women IAS officers, who have also served as District Magistrates; and

(c) the steps being taken to appoint women IAS officers who have served as Collectors, to the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) As on 01.05.1988, 25 women IAS officers are serving as Joint Secrearies and above at the Centre.

(b) Government is giving priority for placement of women IAS officers at the Centre. Since all IAS officers are required to have a minimum field experience including that of a District Magistrate, due consideration is given to the period spent by them as District Magistrates.

(c) The record of service of women IAS officers is looked into before offering them placement at the Centre and hence successful tenure as a Collector is given dueghatge, Government in addition to other consideration, has able noted the importance of having successful women IAS officers posted in key posts at the Centre.

Employment of women IAS officers as Joint Secretary

1927. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that empanelment procedures for Joint Secretaries of 1970 batch are under way;

(b) by when this procedure is likely to be completed;

(c) whether women officers will be considered in the empanelment; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that few women IAS officers of 1969 batch were empanelled ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

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†Previously Unstarred Question 1446 transferred from the 9th May, 1988.

(b) It is likely to be completed shortly.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A number of women officers of the 1969 IAS were empanelled.

Manufacturing of Colour Picture Tubes

1928. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI :
KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state what technologies like conventional|full square|flat square are proposed in the pending applications for approval for manufacture of Colour Picture Tubes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : Two proposals, one from Andhra Pradesh Electronics Development Corporation (APEDC) and the other from J&K State Industrial Development Corporation (J&KSIDC) are pending for manufacture of Colour Picture Tubes. APEDC propose to manufacture flat square colour Picture Tubes and proposal of J&KSIDC has provision to take up conventional as well as Flat Square Colour Picture Tubes.

Modalities in respect of Overtime Allowance in Controller General of Defence Accounts at Secunderabad

1929. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 3593 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th December, 1987 and state :

(a) whether the modalities of implementation of the recommendations of the Fourth Pay Commission with reference to discontinuance of the overtime duties in the Controller General of Defence Accounts offices at Secunderabad have since been worked out; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The matter relating to Overtime allowance in Controller General of Defence Accounts at Secunderabad is linked to overall policy of the Government for implementing the decision of the Fourth Pay Commission's recommendations for discontinuance of scheme of overtime allowance in Government Offices. These are in the process of finalisation by the Department of Personnel and Training. In the meantime provision exists that in exceptional cases compensation for extra work beyond the prescribed working hours may be made.

Detailing staff of Pay and Accounts Offices on overtime duty has been necessitated by the gradual increase in the number of Individual Running Ledger Accounts which have to be processed to complete time bound activities such as closing of accounts quarterly, issue of statement of accounts to Jawans, final settlement of cases and issue of Last Pay Certificate cum data sheets for sanction of Pensions.

With the work being time bound, compensation for extra work beyond office hours became necessary where compensatory off days could not be sanctioned to the staff.

Family Pension cases of Ordnance Factories, Kanpur pending with C.D.A. (Pensions)

1930. SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of cases of widows|family pensions' forwarded by Ordnance Factories and JGS [now renamed Quality Assurance Establishment (GS)] Kanpur, to the Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions) Allahabad have been pending settlement;

(b) if so, how many such cases were received by the CDA (P), Allahabad during the last four months ending at 30th April, 1988 from those organisations; and